

## NOTICE OF MEETING

TO: Health and Human Services Interim Committee

FROM: Mark D. Andrews, Research Analyst

DATE: May 9, 2001

SUBJECT: May 23 Meeting

Sen. Terry R. Spencer and Rep. Carl R. Saunders have scheduled a meeting of the Health and Human Services Interim Committee as follows:

DATE: **Wednesday, May 23, 2001**  
TIME: **9:00 a.m.**  
PLACE: **Room 416 State Capitol**

An agenda is included. If you are unable to attend, please call me or Sandra Wissa at 538-1032.

### COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Sen. Terry R. Spencer, Senate Chair  
Rep. Carl R. Saunders, House Chair

Sen. D. Edgar Allen  
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Rep. Carol Spackman Moss  
Rep. Paul Ray  
Rep. Jack Seitz  
Rep. Mike Thompson  
Rep. Glenn L. Way

**AGENDA**  
**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES INTERIM COMMITTEE**  
Wednesday, May 23, 2001 – 9:00 a.m. – Room 416 State Capitol

9:00      **1.      Call to Order and Approval of April 18, 2001 Minutes**

9:05      **2.      Update on Subcommittees**

At the April meeting the committee voted to approve the establishment of two subcommittees, each comprised of five legislators from the committee and authorized by the Legislative Management Committee to meet three times during the interim. One committee will study and make recommendations on issues related to tobacco. The other will make recommendations on physical fitness and nutrition in public education.

The committee will receive an update on the membership and meeting dates of each committee.

9:15      **3.      Study of Mandatory Obligations on Health Insurers**

During the 2000 General Session the legislature passed H.B. 228, "Health Insurance Provisions - Interim Review," (Lockhart) which added the following language to Section §36-12-5, U.C.A.:

- "(2)      (a)      In addition to the duties established pursuant to Subsection (1), the Business, Labor, and Economic Development Interim Committee and the Health and Human Services Interim Committee shall:
- (i)      identify provisions in Title 31A that impose a mandatory obligation on health insurers with respect to coverage, benefits, or providers that have been in effect for five or more years and have not been reviewed during the previous ten years; and
- (ii)      subject to the direction of the Legislative Management Committee which may divide the provisions between the committees, review the provisions to determine whether the provisions should be continued, modified, or repealed, provided that:
- (A)      any provision in effect for five or more years as of July 1, 2000, shall be reviewed before November 30, 2005; and
- (B)      any provision enacted after July 1, 2000, shall be reviewed on the fifth year after enactment.
- (b)      The review shall include:
- (i)      the estimated fiscal impact of the provision on state and private health insurance; and
- (ii)      the purpose and effectiveness of the provision.
- (c)      The committee may request through, and with the approval of, the audit subcommittee that the legislative auditor general perform, or otherwise assist in the performance of, the review described in Subsection (2)(b)."

The committee will consider how to fulfill the requirements of Subsection 36-12-5(2).

9:35      **4.      Emergency Medical Services**

During the 1999 General Session, the legislature passed S.B. 54, "Emergency Medical Services Systems Act," (Blackham) which repealed and reenacted statutes affecting providers of emergency medical services. The legislation affected the manner in which licenses for exclusive geographic service areas are issued for ambulance and paramedic providers.

The committee will consider a draft bill proposed to address concerns raised by municipalities wishing to provide ambulance services to annexed areas already covered by an exclusive provider license.

10:50      **5.      Long-Term Professional Development Programs for Disability Services**

During the 2001 General Session the legislature considered, but did not pass, H.B. 47, "Appropriation for Long-Term Professional Development Programs" (Hogue). The bill would have appropriated \$495,000 to the Center for Persons With Disabilities at Utah State University for long-term training of supported employment personnel, interpreters for the deaf, and behavior support specialists. Funding provided to the University would have been distributed to training programs throughout the state through a competitive bid process.

The committee will consider draft legislation similar to H.B. 47 prepared for the 2002 General Session.

11:30      **6.      Other Business**

11:35      **7.      Adjourn**

